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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISTS DEMONSTRATE AT EMBASSY

1. APPROXIMATELY 800 TO 1,000 PROTESTORS, WITH LARGE FOREIGN AND ESPECIALLY SPANISH CONTINGENT, MARCHED TO EMBASSY AT 2130 HOURS AUGUST 14. THEY SPENT 15 MINUTES ORGANIZING THEMSELVES AS THEY SHOUTED SUCH SLOGANS AS "DEATH TO CIA"; "OUT NATO"; "OUT CIA"; AND "YANKEE ASSASSINS." SPEAKERS FROM EACH COUNTRY REPRESENTED GAVE SHORT HARANGUE ATTACKING PORTUGUESE REACTIONARIES, INTERNATIONAL CAPITALISM, IMPERIALISM AND COMMON MARKET. AS SOON AS SPEECHES BEGAN, DEMONSTRATORS STARTED DRIFTING AWAY. BY 2225 HOURS THEIR NUMBER HAD DWINDLED TO ABOUT 100 AND MARCH LEADERS BROUGHT DEMONSTRATION TO A CLOSE. STREETS WERE DESERTED BY 2250 HOURS.

2. COPCON SENT APPROXIMATELY 150 TROOPS TO PROVIDE SECURITY. THEY FORMED CORDON WHICH EFFECTIVELY PREVENTED DEMONSTRATORS FROM APPROACHING EMBASSY. IN FACT, DEMONSTRATORS INDICATED NO INTENTION TO INITIATE ANY VIOLENT ACTION.
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